

**TYRONE BOROUGH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

APRIL 14, 2014 @ 7:00PM

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The Regular Monthly Council Meeting of the Tyrone Borough Council was held on Monday, April 14, 2014 @ 7:00PM at the Tyrone Borough Municipal Building, 1100 Logan Avenue, Tyrone, PA. Mayor Fink led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Ardean Latchford gave the Invocation.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Fink called the meeting to order and requested roll call. Present: Council members Raymond Detwiler, Courtney Rhoades, Mark Black, Terry Richardson, Christy Ray, William Latchford, and Mayor Fink. Absent: Council member Mark Kosoglow. Also present were Borough Manager Phyllis Garhart; Director of Administration Brandi Miller; Solicitor Larry Clapper; Sewer Superintendent Tim Nulton; Highway Superintendent Jim Bywater; Water Superintendent Ardean Latchford; Chief of Police John Romeo; Consulting Engineer Kevin Nester and Administrative Assistant Kimberly Gurekovich.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mayor Fink advised Council held an Executive Session meeting to discuss personnel and real estate prior to the Council Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Michael Cherry, Eagle Scout Project

Eagle Scout Michael Cherry presented his proposed Eagle Scout project to Council. Michael's project will encompass the area around the flagpole Railroad Park. His project is to install brick pavers in the shape of a Keystone around the existing flag pole. The brick paver would coordinate with the existing downtown Streetscape.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve said project. Council unanimously approved said motion.

John Dickson, 533 Oak Street

Mr. Dickson was present at the Council meeting to discuss building a garage. Although Mr. Dickson is elevating the garage and exceeding the setback requirements, the location he wishes to build the garage in may be in a flood zone. Mr. Dickson's concern is that if he builds it now can anyone come back on him later for flood insurance. Council member Ray advised if the bank says it is ok, then go ahead and build it.

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Barry Pearce, AFSCME Union Representative

Mr. Pearce was present to request an Executive Session meeting with Council to discuss ongoing personnel matters within one of the Borough Departments. Mr. Pearce expressed concern that one matter had escalated the previous Friday. Council members advised he would have to make the request in writing to the Borough Manager. Said request is to include bullet points of topics to be discussed.

There was no further public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded the minutes of the March 10, 2014 Borough Council meeting be approved. Mr. Detwiler's name was inadvertently omitted from the March 10, 2014 minutes. Council unanimously approved said motion.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was moved and seconded the financial reports for the monthly accounting period ending March 31, 2014 be approved: (1) The Account Balance Report; (2) Statement of Revenues and Expenses; and (3) Cash Disbursement Journal. Council unanimously approved said motion.

BOROUGH MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Correction to February 11, 2013 Meeting Minutes

During the Borough's Audit, an error was found in the February 11, 2013 minutes. The Borough's NPDES permit was completed and submitted to DEP on August 21, 2012, not 2013 as stated in the February 11, 2013 minutes. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said correction. Council unanimously approved the change.

Purchases for the Community Pool

The Borough Manager's report requested the purchase of three life guard chairs at a cost of \$3,804.57 and a storage shed at a cost of \$3,354.00. The current life guard chairs are in disrepair and the storage shed would allow the seasonal items to be stored at the pool instead of being transported to the water plant. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said purchase. Council unanimously approved said motion.

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Soldier's Park Curb Replacement

The Manager was in receipt of quotes for the replacement of 439 feet of concrete curbing along the Route 453 side of Soldier's Park. The lowest quote was from M & B Services at a cost of \$15,255.25. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the curbing replacement. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Purchase of Vehicle-Parking Enforcement

Council was provided a quote for a new vehicle for the Parking Enforcement officer. This would be purchased from the State Contract in the amount of \$16,692.20. Council member Ray suggested purchasing a new car for Code and giving the current Code car to Parking Enforcement. It was then moved and seconded to purchase a new car for Code, thus allowing the current code vehicle for Parking Enforcement once that position is filled. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Modification to Mixing & Mass Transfer Contract – WWTP

Due to the infrequent use of the concrete storage tank they currently rent from the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Mixing & Mass Transfer is requesting a modification to their current contract with the Borough, wherein they would pay \$500 for the months they do not use the tank and continue with the current \$2,300 per month when they do use the tank. It was moved and seconded that Council approve the said modification. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Request for Team Adam Day

The Borough was in receipt of a request for "Team Adam Day", to be held May 17, 2014. In prior years, the Borough has donated a Family Swim Pass. It was moved and seconded that Council donate a family swim pass. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Purchase of 1104 Logan Avenue

It was moved and seconded that Council approve the purchase of 1104 Logan Avenue at the appraised amount of \$48,000. This item was not on the Agenda. Mayor Fink called for public comment. There being none, Council unanimously approved said motion.

SOLICITOR'S RERORT: Solicitor Stants presented the following Ordinance:

Ordinance No. 1350 – Changing/Adding Public Handicap Parking Spaces

An Ordinance Of The Borough Of Tyrone, A Home Rule Municipality, Amending Chapter 190 Of The Code Of The Borough Of Tyrone Entitled "Vehicles And Traffic" To: 1. Remove The Public Handicap Parking Space On The North Side Of Tenth Street At The Dollar Store And Add Public Handicap Parking On The South Side Of Tenth Street At Hunter Avenue And On The East Side Of Logan Avenue At Herald Street; And 2. Add Stop Signs On: Alley B Between 9th And 10th Street East And West Bound On Cameron And S. Lincoln; On Wertz Street East And West Bound At Intersection Hamilton Avenue; And 3. Establish An Effective Date.

It was moved and seconded that Council approve said Ordinance. Council unanimously approved said Ordinance.

Resolution No. 2014-06 – Destruction of Old Borough Records

It was moved and seconded that Council approve Resolution No. 2014-06, Destruction of Old Borough Records. Council approved said motion.

CONSULTING ENGINEER: Council was in receipt of the Engineer's report. The HVAC equipment has been installed. Mr. Nester stated most contractors are behind at this time due to the weather. Mr. Nester advised this should be finished up soon. The North Avenue, Hamilton Avenue and 12th Street water mains have been installed. Preliminary plans for the Park Avenue Storm Sewer Replacement have been submitted to the Borough.

CODE ENFORCEMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Rabits' report. Mr. Rabits also reported he has been working with Tony Grassi and the Eagle Scout Project regarding the playground equipment being installed at the Little League Field. The handicap issue has been resolved and the project will be inspected by MDIA.

Mr. Rabits advised that a group, Green Energy, has been soliciting throughout town without a permit.

Mr. Rabits advised Council of a Subdivision plan being submitted by American Eagle Paper Mill. No representatives were present from American Eagle Paper Mill. Mr. Rabits gave a general overview of the request which included a re-subdivision of the previously required consolidate lot. The result of the new subdivision, if approved, will

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consist of two lots; one consisting of the existing warehouse and the other consisting of the new 48,000 square foot addition. After some discussion by Council, it was moved and seconded that Council approve said request, contingent upon review of the Solicitor and the conditional approval. A roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Council members Black, Latchford, Detwiler, and Rhoades. Nays: Council members Ray, Richardson and Mayor Fink.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Chief Romeo's report. Chief Romeo was in receipt of a request for a private handicap parking space at 471 Park Avenue. This was reviewed by the police department and it is Chief Romeo's recommendation to approve this request. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Chief Romeo was also in receipt of a request from the 911 center for their employees to do ride alongs with the police department. It was moved and seconded that Council approve said request. This item was not on the Agenda. Mayor Fink called for public comment, no comments were made. Council unanimously approved said motion.

Chief Romeo has made arrangements for the Borough to have a Medication Collection Box. May 1st is the kickoff of several municipalities having them; however, the Borough's will be delayed due to construction. This will provide for a safe disposal of medications and will be emptied on a quarterly

Officer Hollis will be taking a bike course in State College.

SEWER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Nulton's monthly report. Mr. Nulton reported the Reconciliation for Northern Blair is almost complete. The Sewer Department will be performing WET (Whole Effluent Testing) next month.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Latchford's monthly report. Mr. Latchford thanked Council for the approved of the shed and lifeguard chairs for the pool. Having the shed will allow them to keep the cover in it as opposed to transporting it to the plant for storage every year.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: Council was in receipt of Mr. Bywater's monthly report.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Mayor Fink inquired as to the status of the Park Avenue Storm Sewer project. Mr. Nester, GHD, advised he has provided plans to the Borough and is awaiting their review.

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The Meeting Adjourned at 8:00PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Phyllis J. Garhart/kdg
Borough Manager